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April 02, 2013

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

39 April 2, 2013

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR
VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
IN THE CITIES OF INDUSTRY AND PASADENA AND
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF ALTADENA
AND AVOCADO HEIGHTS
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amounts for various public works construction contracts in the Cities of Industry and Pasadena and in the unincorporated communities of Altadena and Avocado Heights.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work will have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes and increased contract amounts for the following construction contracts:

- Project ID No. RDC0015442 – Woodbury Road Median Landscaping Project, related to construction of median landscape improvements; in the City of Pasadena and in the unincorporated community of Altadena, for removal of a tree; removal of unsuitable wet soil; and installation of a compatible rain sensor, with an increase in the contract amount of \$8,505.50, performed by Diversified Landscape Management, Inc.;
- Project ID No. RDC0015526 – Holliston Avenue, et al., related to reconstruction of roadway pavement, in the unincorporated community of Altadena, for variations in bid quantities; additional pulverization costs; and loss of production with an increase in the contract amount of \$95,270.97,

performed by Palp, Inc., dba Excel Paving Company; and

- Project ID No. SLT0000004 – Workman Mill Road, related to installation of electrical conduits for street lights, in the City of Industry and in the unincorporated community of Avocado Heights, for removal and replacement of trench backfill, with an increase in the contract amount of \$60,000, performed by JFL Electric, Inc.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of the projects from the Board for changes in various public works construction contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

The Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee has been authorized by the Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for the Board's approval are changes in work in excess of the Director's delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0015442, RDC0015526, and SLT0000004.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

Project ID No. RDC0015442, with an increase in the contract amount of \$8,505.50, is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Measure R Local Return Fund Budget.

Project ID No. RDC0015526, with an increase in the contract amount of \$95,270.97, is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Road Fund Budget.

Project ID No. SLT0000004, with an increase in the contract amount of \$60,000, is included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 County Lighting Maintenance District No. 1687 Fund Budget, which will be reimbursed with funds from the Avocado Heights Benefit Trust Fund in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Public Works General Fund Budget up to \$3,500,000.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements were awarded by the Board to the apparent responsible contractors with the lowest responsive bids in accordance with the State Public Contract Code, the Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director or her

designee.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosures do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by the Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Ruben Amezcua at (626) 458-4942 or ramezcua@dpw.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,



GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

CHANGES IN WORK (APPROVE)
April 2, 2013

Project ID NO. RDC0015442 – Woodbury Road Median Landscaping Project, (in the City of Pasadena and in the unincorporated community of Altadena), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Diversified Landscape Management, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of median landscape improvements and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Remove tree	\$ 555.50
(2)	Removal of unsuitable wet soil	6,000.00
(3)	Install compatible rain sensor	<u>1,950.00</u>
	Total	<u>\$8,505.50</u>

Description of Changes:

- (1) It is necessary to remove a tree due to interference with existing power lines. This work was not shown on the plans.
- (2) It is necessary to remove unsuitable wet soil and replace it with clean gravel for better stability of grade. This work was not shown on the plans.
- (3) It is necessary to replace a rain sensor to be compatible with the irrigation system. This work was not shown on the plans.

The costs for Items 1 and 3 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 2 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specification.

Two additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 and Measure R Local Return Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,218,238.48
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	119,284.57
Changes in work to be approved	<u>8,505.50</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$1,346,028.55</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	10%

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CHANGES IN WORK (APPROVE)
April 2, 2013

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015526 – Holliston Avenue, et al., (in the unincorporated community of Altadena), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Palp, Inc., dba Excel Paving Company.

Project Description:

Reconstruction of roadway pavement and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Additional pulverization costs	\$ 63,770.00
(2) Loss of production	26,700.00
(3) Variations in bid quantities	<u>4,800.97</u>
Total	<u>\$95,270.97</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) Due to the deteriorated condition of the streets, the pulverization of the existing asphalt pavement resulted in large chunks of asphalt instead of smaller, finer pieces. It is necessary to compensate the contractor for extra dump fees to dispose of the asphalt, additional costs to achieve proper compaction, and additional labor costs to handle the asphalt.

(2) During the grading operation, the contractor encountered a grade difference between the existing street grades and the surveyed grades shown on the plans. It is necessary to compensate the contractor for loss of production while the road profile was redesigned.

(3) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

The costs for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2 and 3 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

The project cost is financed with State Proposition 1B Transportation Bond funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Road Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$ 791,783.75
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	142,941.36
Changes in work to be approved	<u>95,270.97</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$1,029,996.08</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	30%

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CHANGE IN WORK (APPROVE)
April 2, 2013

PROJECT ID NO. SLT0000004 – Workman Mill Road, (in the City of Industry and in the unincorporated community of Avocado Heights), Supervisorial District 1, Contractor: JFL Electric, Inc.

Project Description:

Installation of electrical conduits for street lights

Change in Work:

Remove and replace trench backfill \$60,000.00

Description of Change:

The Board previously approved changes to haul and store backfill material and cover excavated areas with steel plates. The cost of this work will exceed previous estimates by the amount shown.

The cost of this work will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days will be required because of this change.

Financial Information:

Financing for this project, including this change in work, includes \$240,000 from the City; \$3,500,000 from the Avocado Heights Benefit Trust Fund; and \$1,316,000 from the County Lighting Maintenance District No. 1687 Fund. Funding for the changes in work are included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 County Lighting Maintenance District No. 1687 Fund Budget. The County Lighting Maintenance District No. 1687 Fund will be reimbursed with funds from the Avocado Heights Benefit Trust Fund in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Public Works General Fund Budget up to \$3,500,000.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$363,159.00
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	193,659.35
Change in work to be approved	<u>60,000.00</u>
Revised Contract Amount	<u>\$616,818.35</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	70%

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